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LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that acknowledgement was not received for the PTO 1449 form filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on January 13, 2005.

Accordingly, a copy of the front page of the January 13, 2005 IDS along with the stamped PTO-1449 form and front page of GB 2 281 910 A, **each obtained from the PTO PAIR website** are attached hereto. The Examiner is respectfully requested to return the initialed PTO-1449 form to the undersigned as soon as possible.

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Respectfully submitted,

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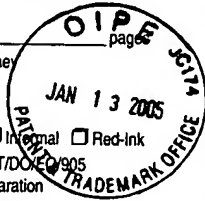
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS, OR OTHER INFORMATION

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on the PTO-1449, attached hereto.

II. COPIES

- a. ☒ Copies of cited U.S. patents and patent application publications are not included. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.

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The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO 1449 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

b. ☐ DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

c. ☒ ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT

An English language translation of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).

d. ☒ OTHER

The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.

GB 2281910 A is an English counterpart to the German Patent application DE 4432732 A1, which was cited in an Office Action issued from the German Patent and Trademark Office on October 14, 2004.

DE 4432732 A1 and the English language translation of the Abstract were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 7, 2004.

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IV. THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d):

after the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, but before payment of the Issue Fee.

See the Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

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The undersigned hereby states that

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- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$180.00 for the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) and as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). This paper is submitted in triplicate.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she is requested to contact the undersigned. If it is determined that this IDS has been filed under the wrong rule, the PTO is requested to consider this IDS under the proper rule and charge the appropriate fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

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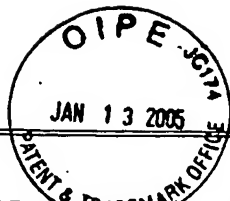
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